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December 21, 1900

Report of immigrants inspected at the port of Ponce, P. R., during the month of November, 1900.

Total number of immigrants inspected, 16; number passed, 16; number certified for deportation on account of dangerous contagious or loathsome diseases, or for other physical causes, none.

Respectfully, W. W. KING,
 Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Reports from San Juan and subports for the month of December, 1900.

SAN JUAN, P. R., December 6, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report of transactions of the Service at this and the 6 subports of Porto Rico, for the month of November, 1900:

San Juan.—Total number of vessels inspected, 22.

On the 17th instant the French steamship *Olinde Rodriguez* arrived from Port au Prince, via Cape Haitien, Puerto Plata, and Sanchez. The consular bill of health from Puerto Plata reported 3 deaths from yellow fever; number of cases unknown. No communication was held with the shore at Puerto Plata save to take on freight for Europe and 3 sacks and 1 package of mail for San Juan. The vessel was held at this port in strict quarantine, and the mail was disinfected here before delivery to the postal authorities.

The Spanish steamship *Cataluña* arrived on the 18th instant from South and Central American ports. She was detained in quarantine, transacting her business while under guard. The baggage of 16 steerage passengers who arrived on her en route from Colon to Havana was landed to await transfer to the next steamer sailing for that port; and was held in bond by the collector of customs of the port, in lieu of disinfection.

On the 19th instant, the provisional steamship *Julia* arrived. She had been disinfected at Santiago de Cuba, as usual, but as 3 of her steerage passengers were nonimmune they were detained at the quarantine station, Miraflores Island, for three days to complete their five days' observation period.

The sanitary condition of the city remains fairly good. The weather during the month has been somewhat cooler, with a decided decrease in the amount of rainfall.

The following is a report of vessels inspected at the subports: Mayaguez, 12; Arecibo, 1; Humacao, 1; Aguadilla, 4; Fajardo, 0; Arroyo, 1.

Mortality reports from the subports are as follows: Mayaguez, 136; Arecibo, 95; Aguadilla, 40; Humacao, 37; Fajardo, 30; Arroyo, 19.

Respectfully, H. S. MATHEWSON,
 Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,
 Chief Quarantine Officer of Porto Rico.

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U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

[Inclosure.]

Vital statistics of San Juan, Porto Rico, for November, 1900.

Malaria	2	Dysentery.....	1
Rachitis.....	6	Broncho-pneumonia	4
Pernicious fever	1	Hepigastritis	1
Septicæmia	1	Nephritis.....	1
Alcoholism	1	Puerperal fever	1
Enterico-colitis	4	Mitral insufficiency	1
Old age	3	Arterio-sclerosis	1
Bronchitis	4	Enteritis	2
Anæmia	3	Epilepsy	1
Pulmonary congestion	1	Wounded (shot)	1
Typhoid fever.....	2	Meningitis	1
Peritonitis.....	1		
Pulmonary tuberculosis.....	10	Total	67
Gastro-enteritis	2		<hr/>
Umbilical hemorrhage.....	1	November, 1899—	
Hepatitis	3	Births.....	63
Hepatic cirrhosis	1	Deaths.....	90
Gastric fever.....	1	November, 1900—	
Cerebral congestion	2	Births	64
Athrepsia.....	2	Deaths.....	67
Cerebral embolus	1		

Inspection of immigrants at San Juan during the week ended December 1, 1900.

SAN JUAN, P. R., December 4, 1900.

SIR: I submit herewith report of alien steerage passengers arriving at this port during the week ended December 1, 1900: November 29, Spanish steamship *Isla de Panay*, from Genoa, Barcelona, Malaga, Cadiz, Las Palmas, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, and Santa Cruz de la Palma, with 30 immigrants.

Respectfully,

H. S. MATHEWSON,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,
Chief Quarantine Officer of Porto Rico.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Report of immigrants inspected at the port of San Juan, P. R., during the month of November, 1900.

Total number of immigrants inspected, 86; number passed, 86; number certified for deportation on account of dangerous contagious or loathsome diseases, or for other physical causes, none.

H. S. MATHEWSON,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,
Chief Quarantine Officer of Porto Rico.

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BAHAMAS—Dunmore Town.—Two weeks ended November 30, 1900. Estimated population, 1,472. No deaths and no contagious diseases.

Governors Harbor.—Two weeks ended December 8, 1900. Estimated population, 1,500. One death. No contagious diseases.

Green Turtle Cay—Abaco.—Two weeks ended December 6, 1900. Estimated population, 3,900. No deaths and no contagious diseases.